

REMARKS

Claims 2-4, 16-18, 24, 25, 27-30, 32, 33 and 35-40 are pending in this application. The Advisory Action indicates that claims 2-4, 16-18, 24, 25, 27-30, 32, 33 and 35-40 are allowable.

Telephonic Interview

Applicant thanks Examiner DeBerry for the telephonic interview on January 5, 2005, in which it was discussed that the inventorship needs to be amended in view of the claim amendment.

Applicant also thanks Examiner DeBerry for suggesting filing a request for continued examination (RCE) to amend the inventorship in a follow-up telephone conversation.

Amendment of Inventorship under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)

Applicant requests that named inventors Arno Hartmann, Silke Brandt, Erwin Rieke, Cornelius Sobel, Kin-Ming Lo, and Stephen Gillies be deleted due to amendment or cancellation of claims. Applicant submits that the above-named inventors' invention is no longer being claimed in the present application. The processing fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is submitted herewith.

Accordingly, Applicant submits that the inventor for the present application is Jeffrey C. Way.

Application Data Sheet

Applicant submits together with this response an Application Data Sheet to update applicant information, attorney docket number, and correspondence information for the present application.

CONCLUSION

Early and favorable action is respectfully solicited. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned agent to discuss any remaining issues.

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Respectfully submitted,

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